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AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated 12/15/2004, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1.(Currently amended) A radial optic neurotomy knife comprising:

a blade having an asymmetrical "V" shaped tip <u>having a distal point at a distal end of said</u> blade; and

an outermost first leg of said "V" having a first angle relative to a central axis of a tip holding shaft; and

an outermost second leg of said "V" having a second angle relative to said central axis rotationally opposite said first leg angle; and

said distal point substantially near said central axis; and

said "V" shaped tip having a <u>said distal</u> point and <u>opposite</u> a broad portion, a <u>said</u> first leg of said "V" shape having a sharpened edge, and a <u>said</u> second leg of said "V" shape having a dulled edge; and

a said tip holding shaft having a said central axis, a first end, and a second end attached substantially near with said broad portion of said "V" shaped tip via a transitional taper, said